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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Final Official Action dated January 29, 2003. This response is being submitted with a petition for a one-month extension of time and the requisite fee, on or before May 29, 2003, making this a timely response. This response is also accompanied by a Request For Continued Examination based under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and the appropriate filing fee. It is believed that no additional fees are due in connection with this filing. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees, including extension fees or other relief

which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Our Order No. A-68929-4/RMS/DCF/KJC [469249-00065]).